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RIGHTEOUSNESS, TEMPERANCE & JUDGEMENT TO COME.

Acts 19:13-20

INT:

After Christ's ascension, PAUL became God's greatest teacher of righteousness.

His high academic training qualified him to speak to men of all financial, educational, social and political levels

Study of his speeches bring a fine blessing to us.

I. EIGHT MAJOR DEFENSES OF HIS ACCEPTANCE OF CHRIST.

1. Acts 22. Jer. Jews. **Results:** Increased their anger.
2. Acts 23. Council (Sanhedrin. **Results:** Divided, chaos.
3. Acts 24. Gov. Felix at Caesarea. **R:** Wait for Lysias.
4. Acts 24. Felix & Drusilla. **R:** Trembled and postponed.
5. Acts 25. Festus, new governor. **R:** Appealed to Caesar.
6. Acts 26. King Agrippa & Bernice. **R:** Almost persuaded.
7. Acts 23:11. Before Caesar. **Results:** Released. (tradition)
8. Second trial before Caesar. **R:** Beheaded for his faith.

**Note:** The end of Paul's life, but not his influence!!!!

II. ANALYSIS OF PAUL'S FOURTH SPEECH: TO FELIX AND DRUSILLA.

(to a selfish, sensual and sinful governor and mistress.)

A. RIGHTEOUSNESS: (GR. Quality of being right & just.)

1. God's Gospel is His righteousness. Rom. 1:16-18.
2. Sinners become righteous by faith. Rom. 10:9-10. Mk.16

B. TEMPERANCE: (GR. Self-control or Self-Restraint.)

1. Governor so intemperant, mean and cruel that he was recalled to Rome in A. D. 62.
2. Drusilla (daughter of King Herod Agrippa I) was the wife of **Antiochus Epiphanes**, **Azizus**, king of Emesa, and **Felix**. She died in the eruption of Vesuvius.
3. **TIME:** A. D. 60! Two years before downfall. Time to get ready for death, judgment to come and face God.

C. JUDGMENT TO COME: (GR. A bringing to trial.)

1. Felix headed for involuntary meeting. Heb. 9:27.
2. Drusilla assigned an inglorious appearance. J. 5:28-29
3. Both to experience unavoidable facing of facts. Rev. 20:12 & 15.

INV: Felix trembled and Postponed a Decision until it was

**TOO LATE FOREVER.** YOU could do the same thing!!

But don't have to. B-R-C-B.

The Erring Christian has everything to GAIN and nothing to LOSE by rededicating life to God.

Identify.